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all ~ Italy —Norman Douglas) (2) : along the length or ~ stony roads that sweep out to the sea —Michael Barbour) (3) : its one-way street system move only the most modern cars —C.B.Hitchcock) (3) : used as a function word to indicate a particular medium or channel of communication (hear one another ~ the air —G.W.Chapman) (spoke to me ~ the telephone) (gave several recitals ~ the ~ network —Current Biog.) (4) : through every part of : all through (the present commesse ~ showed me ~ it —Ralph Hammond-Innes) (2) : used as a function word to indicate study, review, or examination of something (went ~ his notes in preparation for the quiz) (go ~ the case with the defense attorney) (5) : used as a function word to indicate motion that passes above something or the way to the other side or to a place beyond (climb a series of tumbles ~ rocky ledges —Y.E.Soderberg) (climb ~ a mountain) (fly ~ a lake) (attack ~ a frontier) (put a boat ~ a ship's side) b — used as a function word to indicate position on the other side or beyond (lives in a little shop ~ the way —H.V.Morton) 6 a : THROUGHOUT, DURING (many times prime minister of his country ~ the past 25 years —Geoffrey Godsell) (lost the use of their eyes through living underground ~ many generations —S.F.Mason) (had written it nights and ~ weekends —Current Biog.) b : until the end of : for a period including (invited us to stay ~ Sunday) (stationed ~ isolated post ~ winter) 7 a — used as a function word to indicate an object of solicitude, interest, consideration, or reference (the Lord watches ~ his own) (laughed ~ my misadventures) (his curiosity ~ the materials and tools —C.D.Gaitskill) (gives way to an intolerable degree of sentimentality ~ some of his women —C.H.Sykes) (am with you ~ this) b — used as a function word often with an accompanying concrete word to indicate occupation or activity (spent an hour ~ cards) (deciding to wait ~ a beer —Ralph Ellison) (enjoy an evening with me ~ a bite to eat —Frank O'Leary) (on account of embittered ~ this fate —L.S.Thompson) (got himself into disgrace ~ some caricatures of military personages —Times Lit. Supp.) 8 card games : next in turn to play after (another card player) — over a barrel adv : at the mercy of one's opponents : in a helpless condition (had him over a barrel)

over *adj* [ME, alter. (influenced by *over* of *uvere*, fr. OE *ufera*, compar. of *ofer*, adv. — more at *OVER*)] 1 a : UPPER, HIGHER, SUPERIOR b : COVERING, OUTER c : EXCESSIVE (too hasty interpretations and ~ imagination —W.E.Swinton) — often used in combination (*overactivity* is not recommended for the patient) (a *newswinger* (that didn't leave me much for the patient) —Albert Halper) (something to provide for one's requirements —J.A.Todd) b : having an excess or surplus (the cash is said to be ~ Twentieth Century Bookkeeping & Accounting) 3 : fried on both sides (ordered two eggs ~) 4 over *vi* -ED/-ING/-S [*over*] 1 dial : to get over : recover from (whether you ~ed a snakebite or not —Conrad Richter) 2 dial Eng : to bring to an end : FINISH 3 : to leap over : CLEAR (~ed a stile —A.T.Quiller-Couch) 4 dial Eng : to be over with (the Sabbath not yet ~ed —Charlotte Brontë)

over *n* -s [*over*] 1 [so called fr. the umpire's cry of "over" to declare all play for the series an end] : a series of 6 or 8 cricket balls bowled consecutively by one bowler from one end of the wicket 2 overs *pl*, *Brit* : extra sheets of paper in a ream to allow for spoilage in printing 3 overs *pl* : LUMBERMEN'S OVERS 4 overs *pl* : material that does not pass through any given screen in the milling process 5 : a shot which strikes or bursts beyond the target

overabound *vi* [*over* + *abound*, fr. *over* + *abound* to abound] : to abound too much : be too abundant

overabundance *n* [ME, fr. *over* + *abundance*, *abundance* abundance] : an excessive abundance : SURFEIT, EXCESS, PLEthora : of experience with totalitarian governments —John Dean

overabundant *adj* [*over* + *abundant*] : surpassingly abundant

overaccumulation *n* [*over* + *accumulate*] : an undue or excessive accumulation

overact *vi* 1 : to act or perform (as a part) to excess : exaggerate in acting 2 obs : to outdo in acting 3 obs : to act upon or influence unduly ~ *vi* 1 : to act more than is necessary : go to excess in action (which muscles of the eyes are ~ing —H.G.Armstrong) 2 : to overact a part

overaction *n* [*over* + *action*] : excessive or abnormal action

overactive *adj* [*over* + *active*] : excessively or abnormally active (an ~ mind) (~ glands)

overactivity *n* [*over* + *activity*] : excessive or abnormal activity

over against *prep* : as opposed to : in contrast with (the failure of Christianity over against Islam in successive ages —Brit. Book News)

overage *n* [*over* + *age*, *n*] 1 : too old or regarded as too old to be serviceable or useful (~ warships) (an ~ stand of timber) 2 : older than is normal for one's position, function, or grade (~ students) 3 : SURPLUS, EXCESS : the amount of a product above that recorded as having been shipped or placed in storage 2 : an excess over a required amount (an ~ was disclosed) — opposed to *shortage* 3 : the quantity of a pharmaceutical included in a container in excess of the labeled amount (as in an ampul containing a liquid medication intended for injection)

over-all *n* [*over* + *all*] *adv* [ME *over all*, fr. OE *ofer eall*, fr. *ofer* over + *eall* all] 1 a : all over : EVERYWHERE (man was ripe for civilization and erupted into it ~ —D.S.Stewart) (ships in the fjord were dressed ~ —London Calling) b : as a whole : IN TOTAL, GENERALLY (~, the picture quality was good —Cecil McGivern) (~ and in most of its detail the film has remarkable power —Time) 2 : from one extreme point to another of anything including any projections; *specif* : from the extreme forward point to the extreme after point of the deck of a ship including overhangs (the boat's dimensions are 34 feet ~ —Rudder)

over-all *n* [*over* + *all*, chiefly in substandard speech -və(r)hə- in sense 1c] *n* -s [*over* + *all*, pron.] 1 overalls *pl* *archaic* : loose trousers or leggings worn over regular clothes as a protection from bad weather or dirt : close-fitting trousers worn as part of certain British uniforms or for formal riding c : trousers made of strong material usu. with a bib and shoulder straps and worn esp. by workmen 2 chiefly *Brit* : an outer garment; *esp* : a loose-fitting protective garment like a long coat or a smock worn over regular clothing (a laboratory worker in a white ~)

over-all *n* [*over* + *all*] *adj* [*over* + *all*, pron.] 1 including everything between the two extreme points (the ~ length of a ship) 2 a : taking all units into account : TOTAL (~ sales of wholesalers) (increased 10% —*Americana Annual*) (judge what the ~ demand ~ may be —C.F. Craig) (~ industry growth seems well assured —*Brookshire Investment Reports*) b : of or relating to something as a whole : viewed as a whole : GENERAL (liked the ~ composition and design —Levon West) (the ~ picture was bright —*New Englander*) 3 : placed over or upon

over-and-under *n* -s : a 2-barreled firearm whose barrels are fixed one above the other and fire successively or needlessly anxious over-and-under *adj* [*over* + *under*] : excessively or needlessly anxious overarch *n* [*over* + *arch*] 1 : to form an arch over (dense masses ~ing the stream —John Muir [1914]) 2 : to be central or decisive in : DOMINATE (an utterance which ~es the whole conception of the play —R.O.F.Wynne) overarch *adj* 1 : forming an arch overhead (the ~ sky) 2 : subordinating or encompassing all else : ALL-IMPORTANT, DOMINANT (the relation of man's freedom to God's ~ power —Liston Pope) (the ~ thesis of this book) (the ~ fact —Reporter) (different aspects of an ~ goal —J.R.Butler) overarm *n* [*over* + *arm*, *n*] : done with the arm raised above the shoulder (~ bowling); *specif* : being a swimming stroke in which the arm is lifted out of the water and stretched forward over the shoulder to begin the stroke

overarm *n* [*over* + *arm*, *n*] : a bar extending parallel to and above the arbor of a milling machine with attachments to provide support for the arbor overassessment *n* [*over* + *assessment*] : the act or an instance of assessing excessively or beyond the norm; also : the condition of being so assessed

overattachment *n* [*over* + *attachment*] : excessive attachment overawe *vt* [*over* + *awe*] : to make submissively attentive or to inspire awe in (~ the English barbarians by his polished Norman manners —Charles Kingsley)

overbalance *n* [*over* + *balance*] 1 : to exceed equality with : OUTWEIGH (greatly ~ed by their concomitant advantages —T.L.Peacock) 2 : to cause to lose balance : put out of balance (implied that it is desirable to ~ the cash budget —William Fellner)

overbalance *n* 1 : an excess of weight or value : something more than an equivalent (an ~ of exports) 2 : the condition of being out of balance : lack of balance : INEQUILIBRIUM (keep him from ~ on one-sidedness —Register) overbanking *n* [*over* + *banking* (gerund of *bank*)] : a malfunction in a watch that is caused by premature unlocking of the escape wheel without contact of the fork with the roller jewel and that makes the escapement inoperative — distinguished from *rebanking*

overbear *vt* 1 : to bring or carry down by superior weight or force : OVERWHELM (rushed forth and ~ed over the white-headed giant —William Beebe) 2 a : to overcome or bend to one's will by force of argument, domineering manner, or other nonphysical means (overbore her protests —Josephine Pinckney) (completely overborne by his patient —Osbert Sitwell) b : to surpass in importance, cogency, or other quality ~ *vi* : to bear fruit or offspring to excess

overbear-ance *n* [*over* + *bear* (an) (tis), ~ber- *n* -s : domineering action or behavior : IMPERIOUSNESS

overbearing *adj* [*over* + *bear*] : the behavior of one that overbears another or an instance of such behavior; *esp* : dictatorial or arrogant action or conduct (~ and aggression must come to an end —T.E.Goldstein)

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—J.J.Godwin) (go ~ for passing fads —E.J.Kahn) 3 : into discard : ASIDE (throw theological absolutes ~ —Allan Nevins) (throwing all her moral teachings and inhibitions ~ —Ruth

overboil *vi* : to boil over or unduly overbold *adj* : excessively bold or forward : PRESUMPTUOUS, IMPUDENT (a foolish, ~ act —R.L.Stevenson) — overboldness *n*

overboot *n* : OVERSHOE overbore *past* of *OVERBEAR*

overborne *adj* [*fr*. past part. of *overbear*] : held down by superior force : OPPRESSED (art, industry, and commerce, so long crushed and ~ —Francis Parkman)

overbought *adj* : characterized by prices held to be excessively high as a result of heavy buying (price reactions in an ~ market) (an ~ stock) — compare *oversold*

overbowed *adj* [*over* + *bowed* (furnished with a bow)] : equipped with a bow whose drawing weight is too great for the archer

overbowl *n* : a throw at bowls that goes beyond the jack

overbreak *n* : a caving in of loosened material along the edge of an excavation

overbred *adj* : bred too finely or to excess (an ~ family of the nobility)

overbride *n*, *Brit* : OVERPASS overbrim *vi* : to flow over the brim : OVERFLOW ~ *vi* : to cause to flow over the brim; also : to flow over the brim of

overbuild *vt* 1 a : to build too much for : build beyond the actual demand of (~ capacity in any phase of industry —C.E.Wilson) b : to supply with buildings in excess of actual demand (~ a town) 2 : to erect a building or structure upon ~ *vi* : to build houses in excess of demand (claims that the housing industry is ~ing)

overbuilt *adj* : having too many buildings esp. in relation to demand (an ~ part of a town) : faced with an excess of housing in relation to the actual demand (are going to become ~ if we continue to build —*Amer. Builder*)

overbulky *adj* : excessively bulky

overburden *vt* [*over* + *burden*, *v*] : to place an excessive burden on : load to excess : weigh down (the pauper class which ~s the city asylums —Nels Anderson) (~ed ... by a profusion of ornament —Anny Varron) (tree branches ~ed with ice)

overburden *n* [in sense 1, fr. *overburden*; in other senses, fr. *over* + *burden*, *n*] 1 : excess of burden 2 a : consolidated or consolidated material overlying a deposit of useful geological materials (as a coal seam or an ore body) esp. where mined by open cuts; also : sedimentary rock overlying older crystalline rocks b : loose soil, sand, gravel, or similar material above a bedrock 3 : the sterile stratum lying above a cultural level at an archaeological site over-bur-den-ing-ly *adv* [*overburdening* (pres. part. of *overburden*) + ~ly] : so as to overburden overburn *vt* : to burn (as clay) too long or at a higher than normal temperature

overbuy *vi* [*over* + *buy*, *v*] : to buy at an excessive price (to buy in quantities exceeding needs or demand) (found that he had overbought fertilizer) b : to affect injuriously (as by causing price rises) by too much buying esp. in relation to supply ~ *vi* : to make purchases that are in excess of needs or demand or are beyond one's means (~ing and then holding for an advance in prices —Jules Backman) (~ing ... is often detected and the subscribers warned —A.F.Chapin)

overby *adv* [*over* + *by*, *adv*] chiefly *Scot* : a little way over : at a short distance (our neighbors ~)

overcall *vt* [*over* + *call*] *vi* 1 : to make a higher card bid than (the preceding bid) : bid higher than (the player who has bid) 2 : overbid b : overbid ~ *vi* : to bid over an opponent's bid in bridge when one's partner has not bid or doubled 3 overcall *n* 1 a : a bid in bridge usu. showing meager or limited strength made by a player on the side that did not open the bidding b : a bid above the preceding bid 2 : OVERBID overcanopy *n* [*over* + *canopy*] : to form a canopy over (great white wings ~ing the sparkling water —Lilian S. Taylor)

overcapacity *n* [*over* + *capacity*] : excessive productive capacity in relation to needs or demand (another industry suffering from ~ —*Newsweek*)

overcapitalization *n* [*over* + *capitalization*] 1 : the act or an instance of overcapitalizing 2 : the state of being overcapitalized

overcapitalize *vt* [*over* + *capitalize*] 1 : to put a nominal value on the capital of (a corporation) higher than actual cost or fair market value 2 : to capitalize (a business enterprise) beyond what the business or the profit-making prospects warrant

overcareful *adj* : too careful — overcarefully *adv*

overcarry *vt* : to carry too far : carry beyond the proper point

overcast *vt* [*over* + *cast*] *vb* [ME *overcasten*, fr. *over* + *casten* to cast] 1 *archaic* : to cast down : OVERTHROW 2 a : CLOUD, DARKEN, OVERSHADOW (it is the existence of evil ... which ~s life —F.L.Moitt) b : to cast or cover over : OVERSPREAD (the smoke haze that ~s the distant mountains —L.C.Douglas) (something of reverence, ~ with egotism —G.B.Johnson) 3 a (1) : to sew with an overcast stitch from one section of (a book) to the next (2) : to reinforce along the back of (a signature) by stitching through half of the leaves (3) : to fasten (single leaves) as a group by an overcast stitch at the binding edge of : WHIPSTITCH b : to sew over the edge of; *specif* : to sew (raw edges of a seam) with long slanting widely spaced stitches to prevent raveling ~ *vi* 1 : to become overcast : DARKEN 2 : to make an overbowl at lawn bowls

overcast *adj* [*fr*. past part. of *overcast*] 1 a : clouded over (an ~ night) b : DEPRESSED, GLOOMY (his handsome countenance ... was ~ —Rafael Sabatini) 2 *geol* : OVERTURNED (an ~ fold)

overcast *n* [*over* + *cast*] 1 : COVERING (with an ~ of irony —R.M.Coates); *esp* : a covering of clouds over the sky (the land rose in pink and violet daisies, shading finally into the ~ above the harbor —Norman Mailer) 2 : an arch or support that carries an overhead passage; *esp* : one that carries a passage over another passage in a mine 3 : sewing that has been overcast

overcaster *n* : one who does overcasting by hand or machine — see *SEWER*

overcasting *n* : the act of stitching raw edges of fabric to prevent raveling; also : the stitching so done

overcatch *vt* chiefly *dial* : OVERTAKE

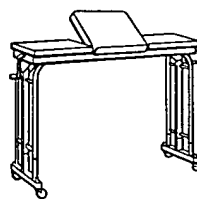
overcautious *adj* : too cautious

overceiling *adj* [*over* + *ceiling*] : being over a ceiling (~ payments)

overcentralized *adj* : excessively centralized (~ administration)

overcertification *n* [*over* + *certification*] : the practice or an instance of overcertifying

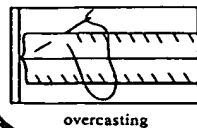
overcertify *vt* [*over* + *certify*] : to certify (a check) for an amount in excess of the balance of the deposit account of the drawer



overbed table



overalls 1c



overcasting

on-ic \t'sk'nik \ *adj.*, *usu cap* [fr. *Taconic* range, mountains  
 northeastern U.S.]: of or relating to mountain-making  
 movements in northeastern No. America near the close of the  
 Devonian period — see GEOLOGIC TIME table  
 o-nite \'t'akə,nīt \ *n* -s [*Taconic* range + *E* -ite]: a flintlike  
 rock containing granules of iron oxide; *specif*: this rock when



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